GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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REGISTRATION OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the qualified doctors have to register themselves with the Medical Council of India (MCI) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of criteria fixed by the Government for registration of Medical practitioners in the rural/urban areas with the MCI; and

(d) the total number of practicing doctors registered with the Medical Council of India in rural/urban areas as on date, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 239 FOR 29TH AUGUST, 2007

As per the provisions of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, a qualified doctor in the modern system of medicine has to register himself under Section 23 of the Act with Medical Council of India or with any of the State Medical Council in the country.The Council considers the application of the candidates for permanent registration who are Indian nationals and have acquired basic medical qualification i.e. M.B.B.S. from the recognized university/institution in India. The Council also considers application of the candidate for permanent registration who are Indian nationals and have acquired basic foreign medical qualification under section 13(4) of the Act and have passed the Screening Test.

The Council does not maintain separate register for doctors registered in rural or urban areas. However, the number of doctors registered with Medical Council of India/ State Medical Council are approx. 6,83,682 as on 31.7.2007 (list annexed).